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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants hereby notify the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) form and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

Kimoto et al., "A Method of Shape Description by a Distribution Function," The Institute of Electronic Information and Communications Engineers, Japan, Vol. J76-D-11, No. 5, (May 1993), pp. 1006-1014; and

Hitoshi et al., "MPEG7 Normalizing Trend," Imaging Information Media Society Journal, Japan, Vol. 54, No. 3, (March 2000); pp. 351-355.

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Respectfully submitted,



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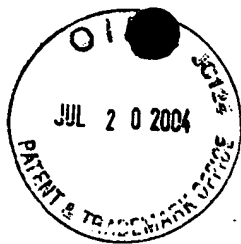
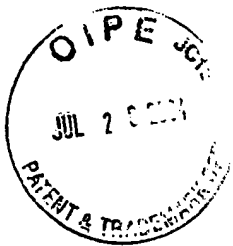
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